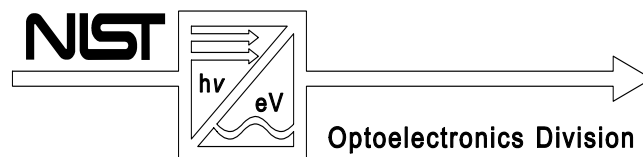


The application:
Standards for optical power measurements at NIST (and elsewhere)

The science:
Identification of tube size, spacing, species and dielectric function
- rapid, inexpensive, uncertain

Spectral Responsivity of pyroelectric detectors coated with carbon nanotubes



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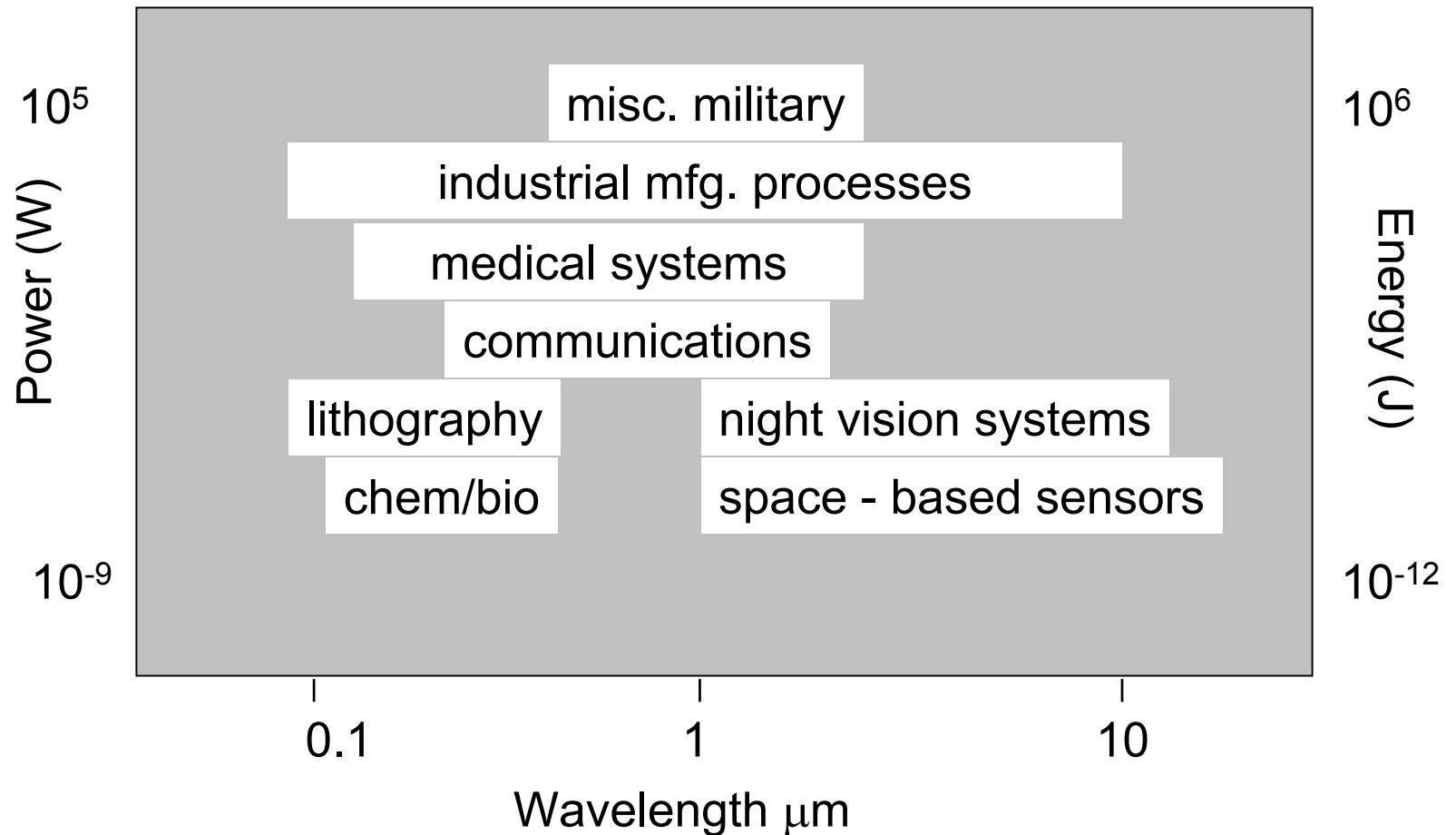
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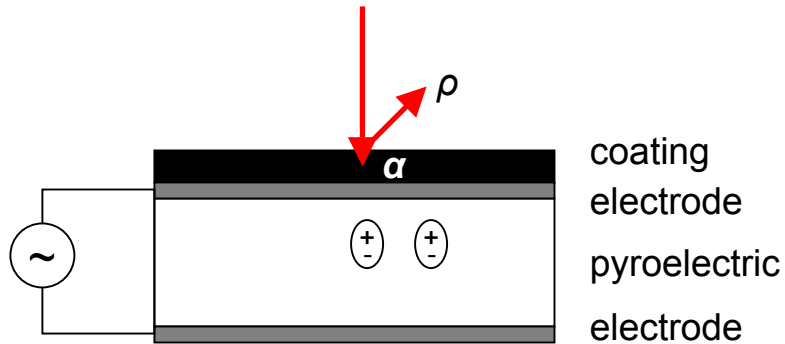
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Motivation



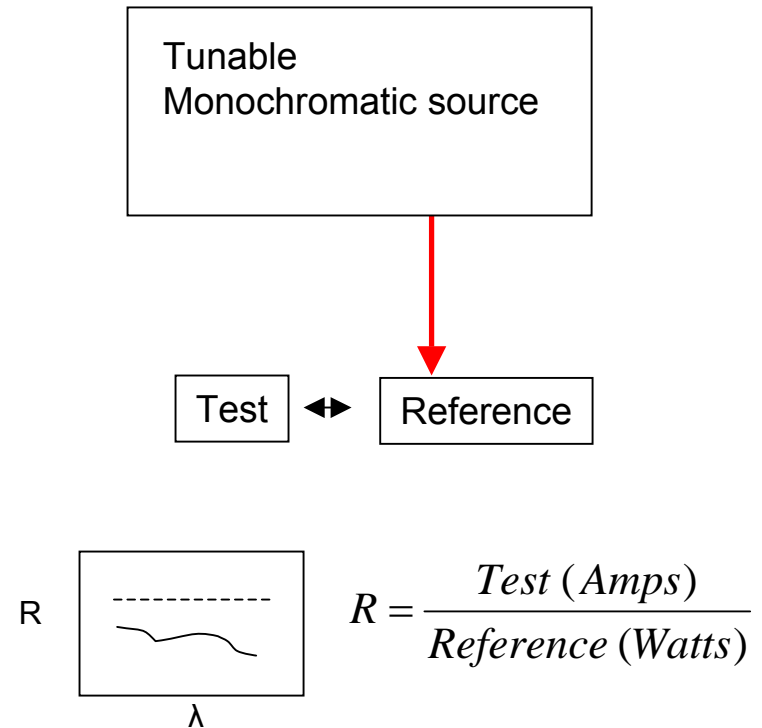
The next generation of detectors for laser power and energy measurements traceable to NIST

Detector operation and measurement



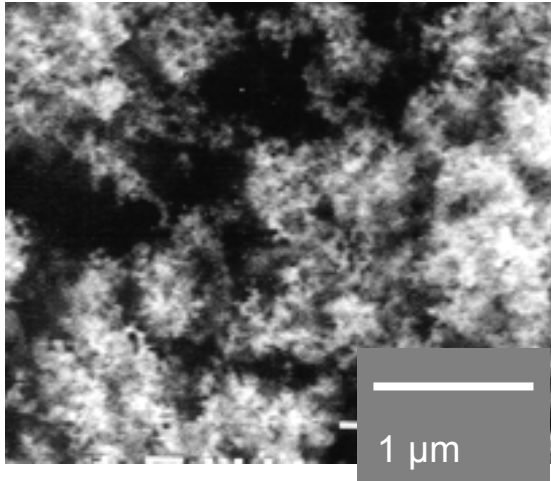
$$i = \alpha p \frac{A}{h} \int_0^h \frac{d\theta}{dt} dz$$

Responsivity measured by direct substitution
 $U \sim 0.25 \% \text{ to } 1.25 \%$

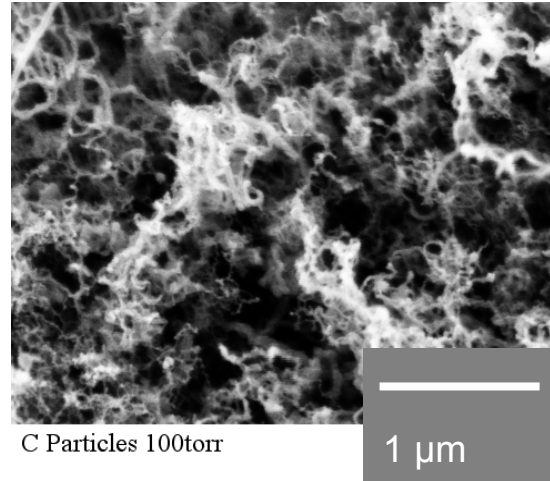


*This application is for coatings for all **thermal** detectors, the responsivity of which depends on spectral properties of the coating*

Appearance



Au Black, 1 Torr



C Particles 100torr

Carbon SWNTs, 100 Torr

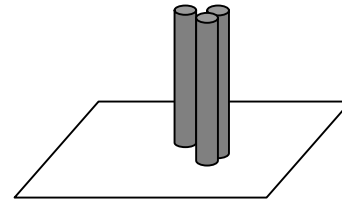
Began with the idea that carbon nanotubes look black (and that they have desirable thermal and mechanical properties)

learned of the complexities (or simplicities) of NT structure

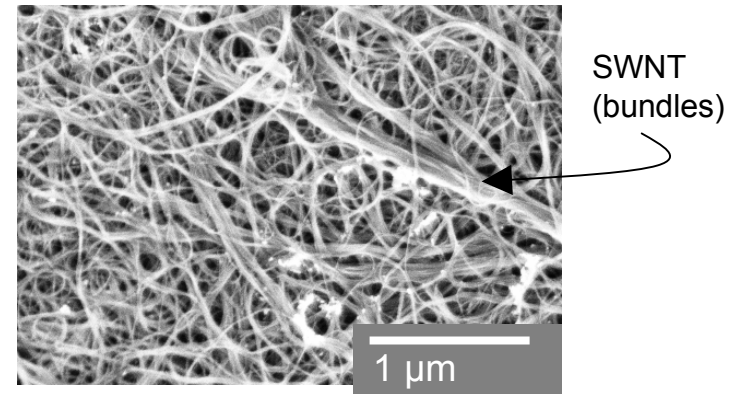
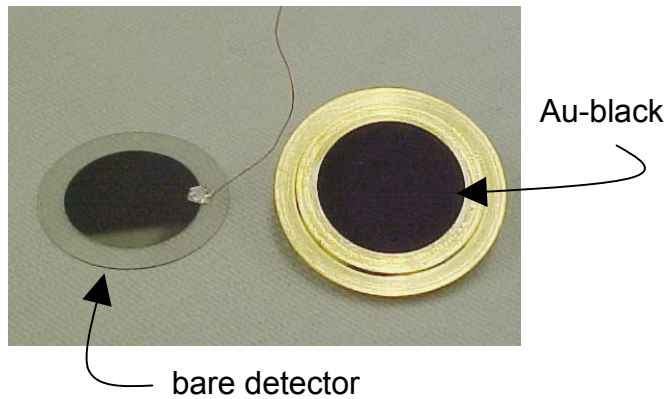
learned of the possibilities to optimize permittivity using effective medium theory (bulk SWNT and MWNT) by varying processing parameters

adding impurities controlling tube diameter, multiplicity, orientation, etc.

Detectors and Coatings
Measurements
Modeling
Cleaning

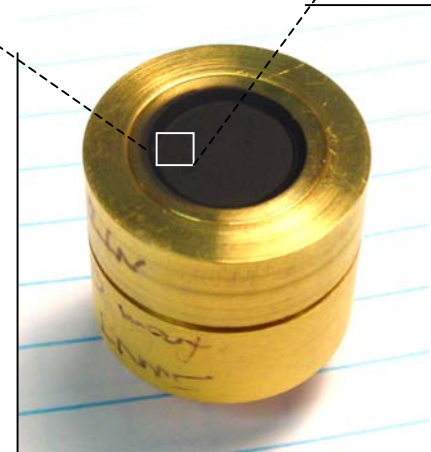


Bulk tubes on a pyroelectric detector

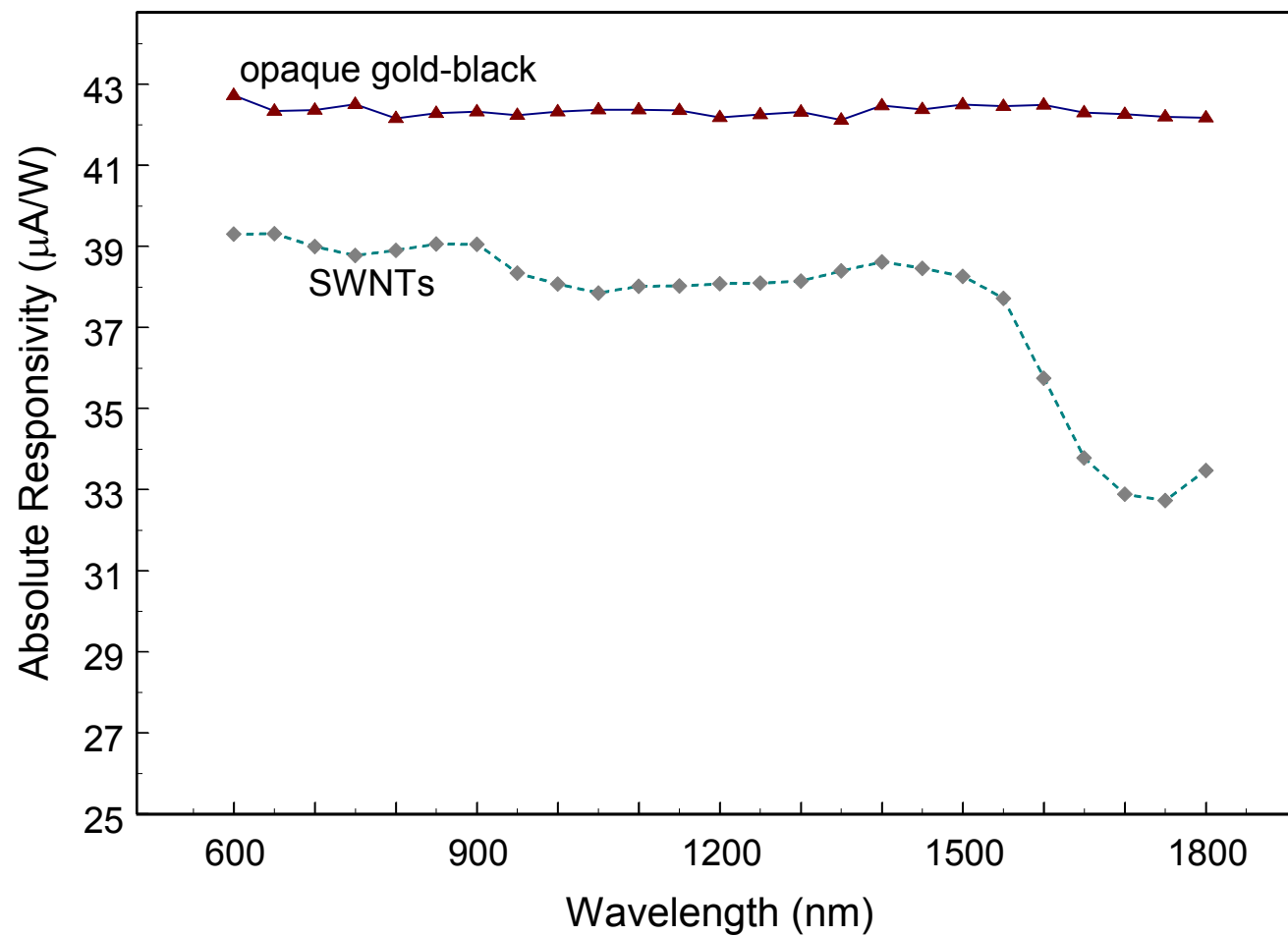


Coating preparation (2 detectors)

1. 2.6 torr Au-black ($\sim 20 \mu\text{m}$ thick)
2. A 2 mL aliquot of a chloroform (CHCl_3) suspension of SWNTs ($\sim 20 \mu\text{m}$ thick)



Measured detector response



total uncertainty 1.25 %

Effective medium approximation (EMA)

$$\varepsilon_m(\omega) = \varepsilon_\infty - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2 + i\gamma\omega}$$

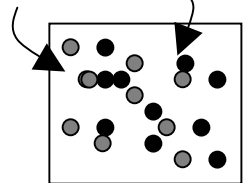
Drude model for metal

$$\varepsilon_s(\omega) = \varepsilon_\infty - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2 - \omega_o^2 + i\Gamma\omega}$$

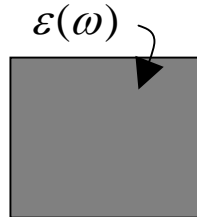
Lorentzian model for semiconductor

$$f \frac{\varepsilon_m - \varepsilon}{g\varepsilon_m + (1-g)\varepsilon} + (1-f) \frac{\varepsilon_s - \varepsilon}{g\varepsilon_s + (1-g)\varepsilon} = 0$$

$\varepsilon_m(\omega)$ $\varepsilon_s(\omega)$



inhomogeneous
medium

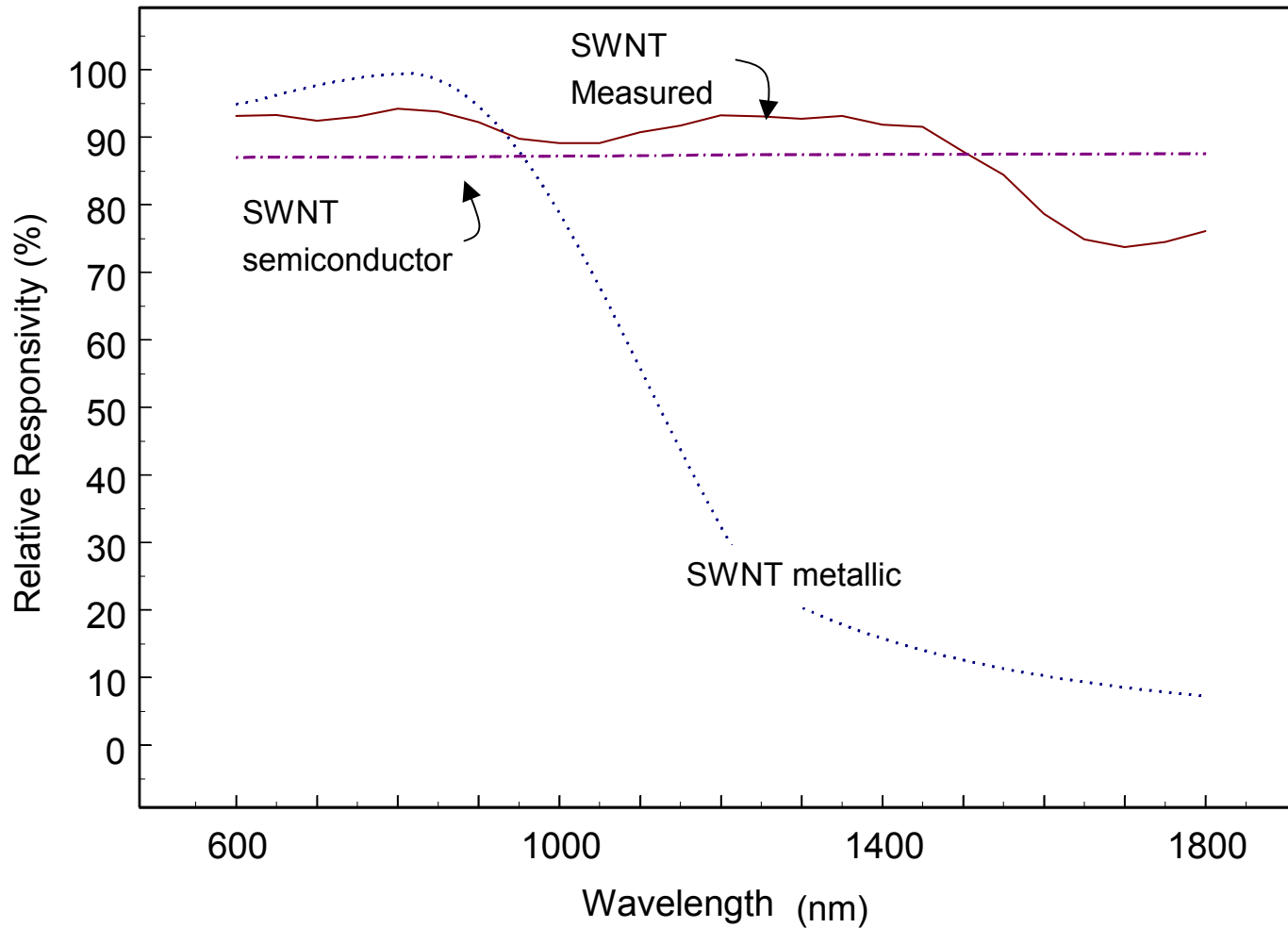


effective
medium

$\varepsilon(\omega)$

$\varepsilon_m(\omega), \varepsilon_s(\omega)$	dielectric function
ε_∞	electronic core contribution
γ, Γ	relaxation rate of charge carriers
ω_p	plasma frequency of charge carriers
ω, ω_o	frequency, center frequency
f, g	fill factor, depolarization factor

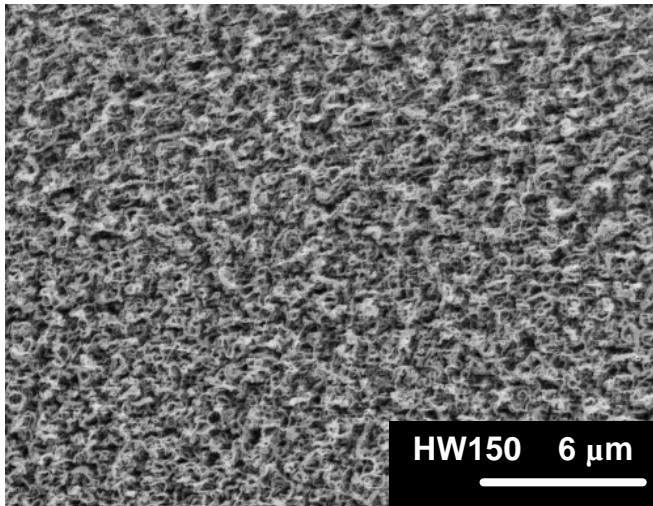
Measured and expected detector response



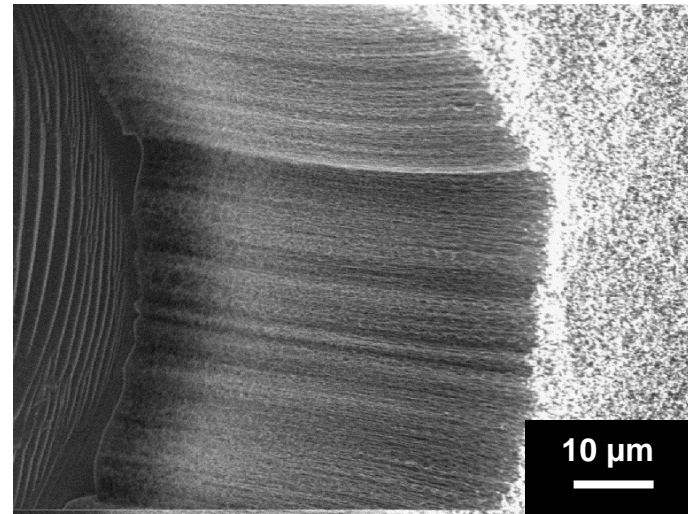
Questions:
 $f \sim 10\%$
morphology

Based on index calculated from composite dielectric function; 60 μm thick, LiTaO_3 , with Ni electrodes

Aligned tubes on detectors



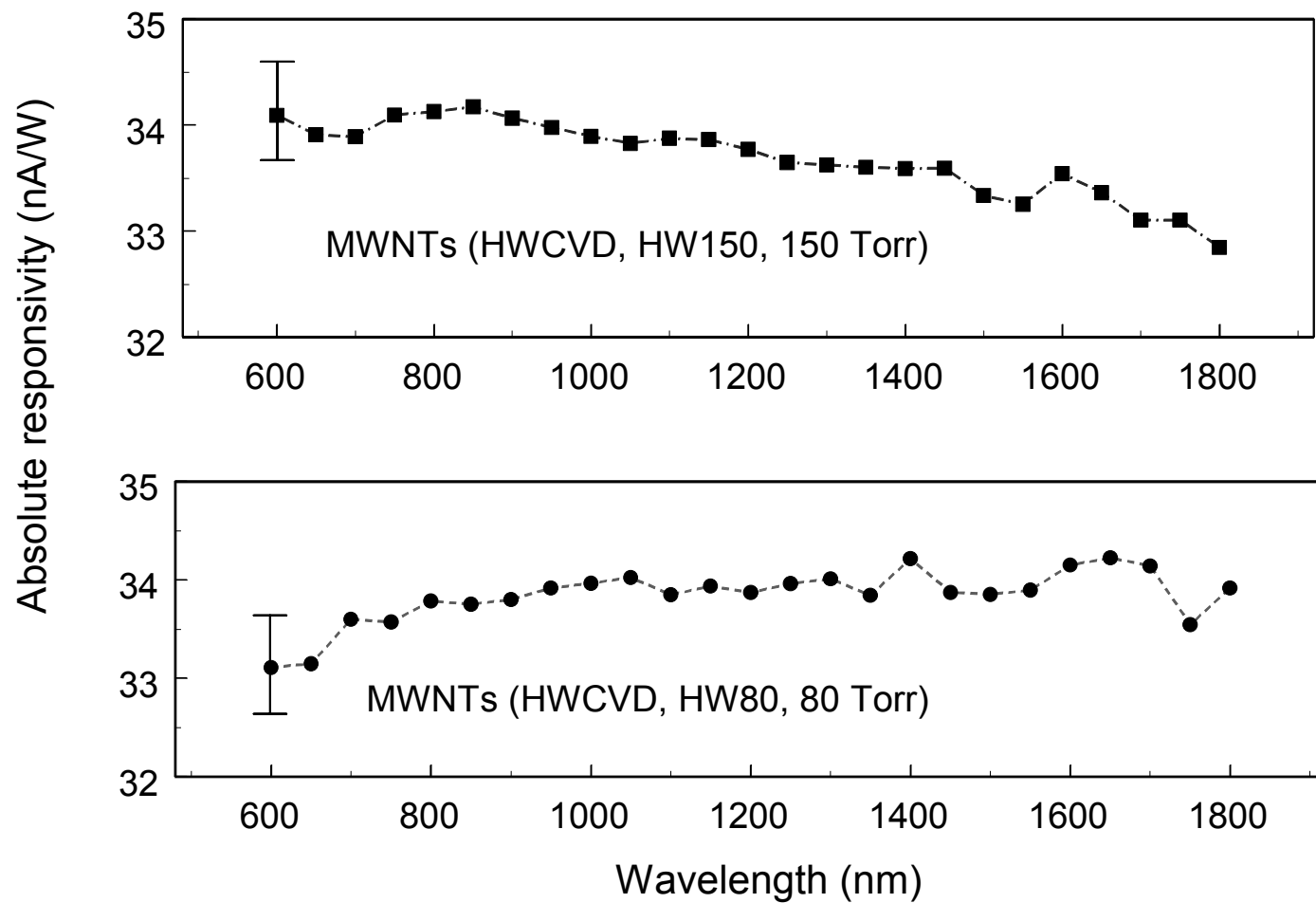
HWCVD on LiNbO_3



CVD on LiNbO_3



Measured detector response

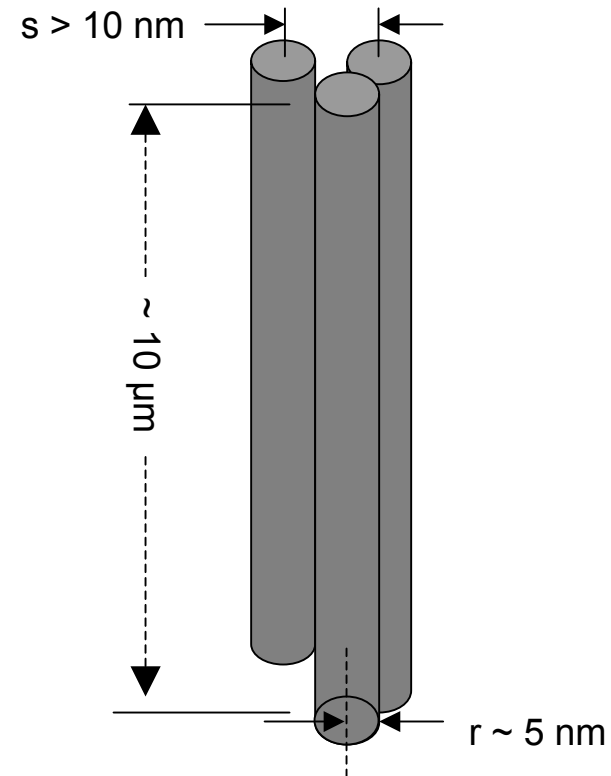


EMA for aligned cylinders

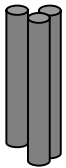
$$\varepsilon^p = \frac{\varepsilon_{\parallel}(\omega) + \Delta + f(\varepsilon_{\parallel}(\omega) - \Delta)}{\varepsilon_{\parallel}(\omega) + \Delta - f(\varepsilon_{\parallel}(\omega) - \Delta)}$$

$$f \approx \frac{(\pi r_{tube}^2) n_{tubes}}{Area_{detector}}$$

$$\Delta = \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon_{\parallel}(\omega)}{\varepsilon_{\perp}(\omega)}}$$

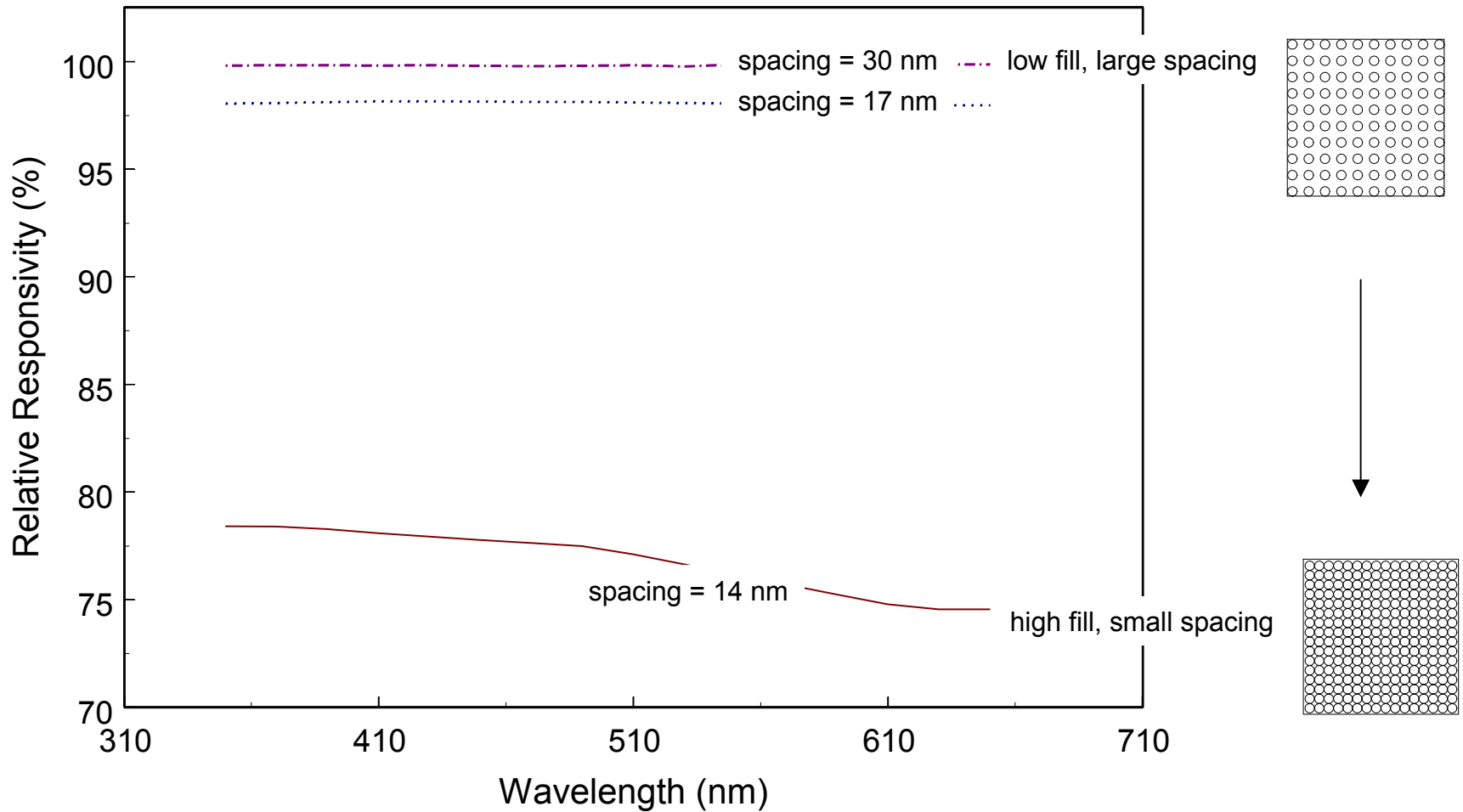


p polarization, *E* perpendicular to tube
(optical response depends on ε_{\parallel} and ε_{\perp} for graphite)



s polarization, *E* directed along tube
(optical response depends only on ε_{\perp} for graphite)

EMA, calculated results



Based on index calculated from composite dielectric function;
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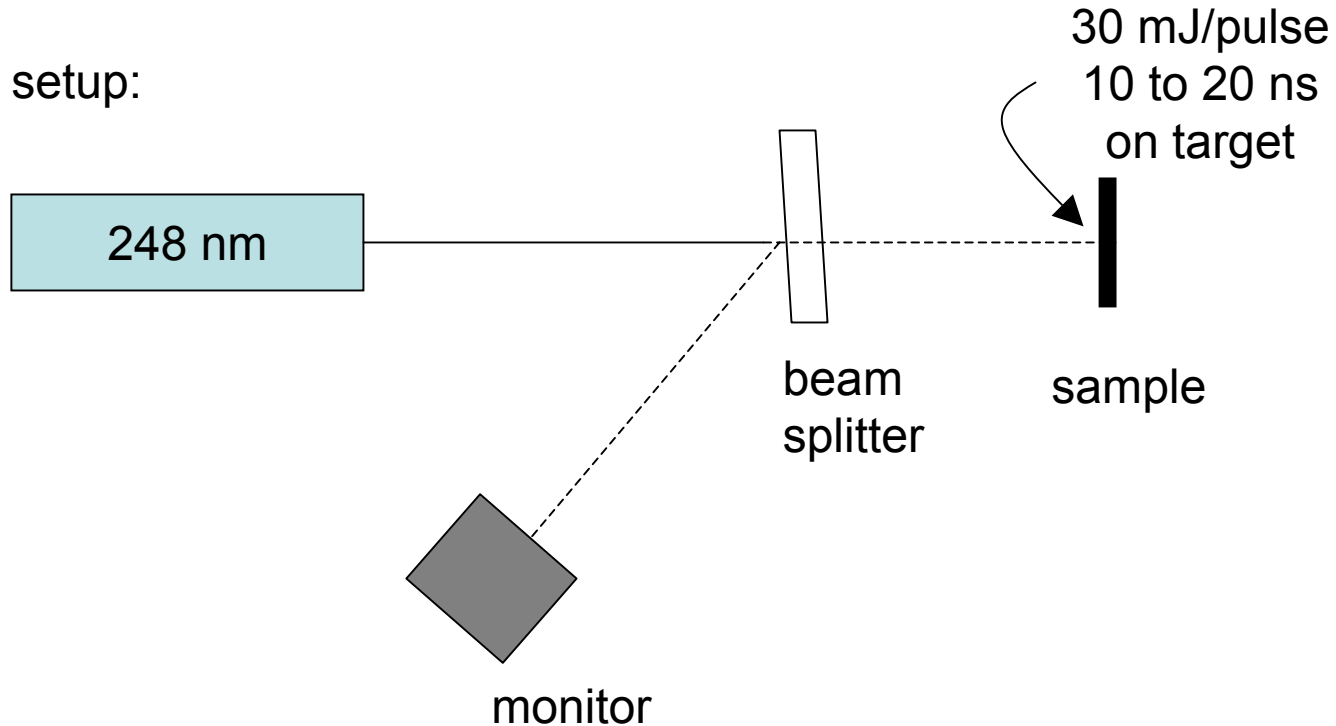
EMA and spectral responsivity measurements

Implies a simple spectral responsivity measurement on bulk tubes can indicate metallic or semiconductor tubes present with $\sim 10\%$ uncertainty.

- (1) Is it valid for a mixture representing portions of SWNTs that are semiconductor and metallic?
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Cleaning to enhance responsivity

Investigation of laser-induced damage to SWNT-coated substrates



50 mJ/pulse visible ablation

30 mJ/pulse visible change – thinner but blacker appearance

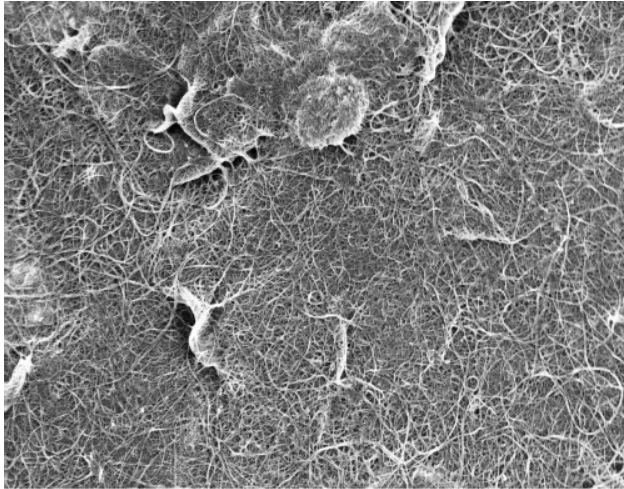
15 mJ/pulse no change

HRSEM qualitatively indicates lower density without altering tubes

Cleaning

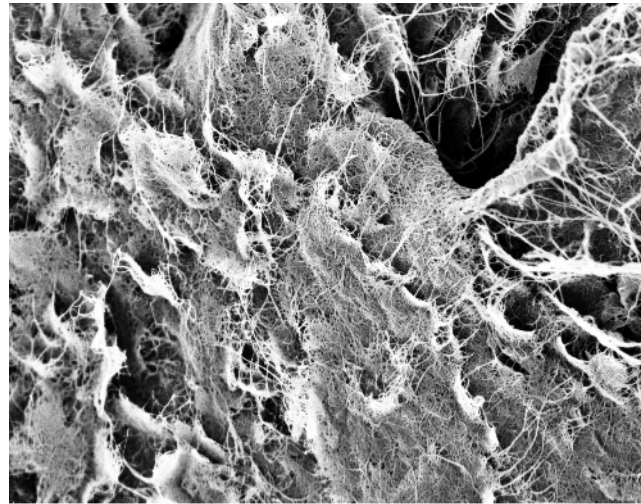
Before

After



SiC

6μm 5000X

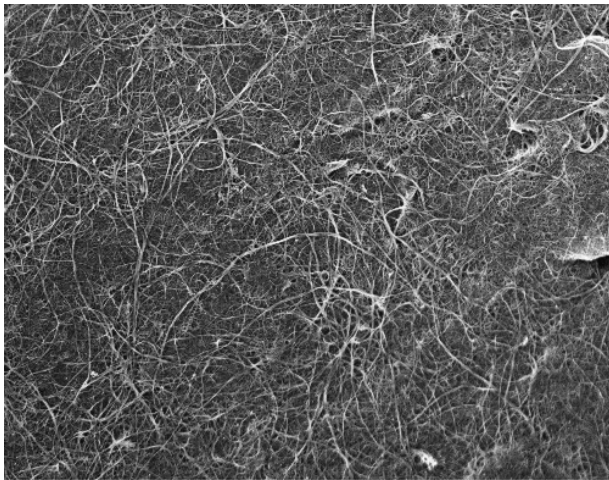


Si:C

Laser treated region

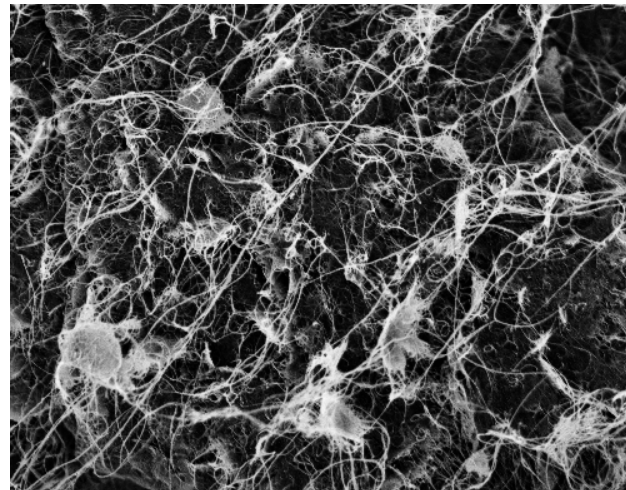
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SWNT bundles
on
silicon carbide



Quartz

6μm 5000X

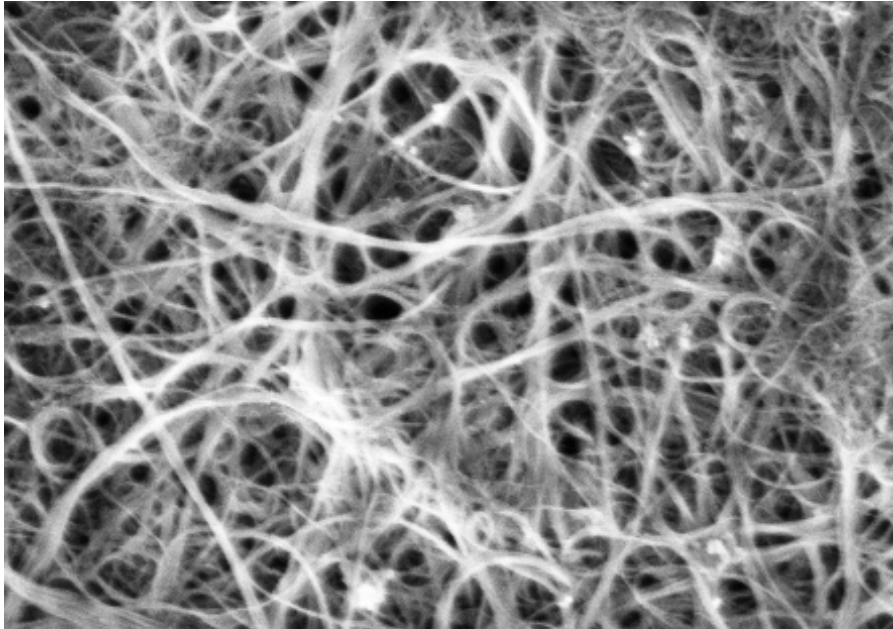


Cr:Quartz Laser treated region

6μm 5000X

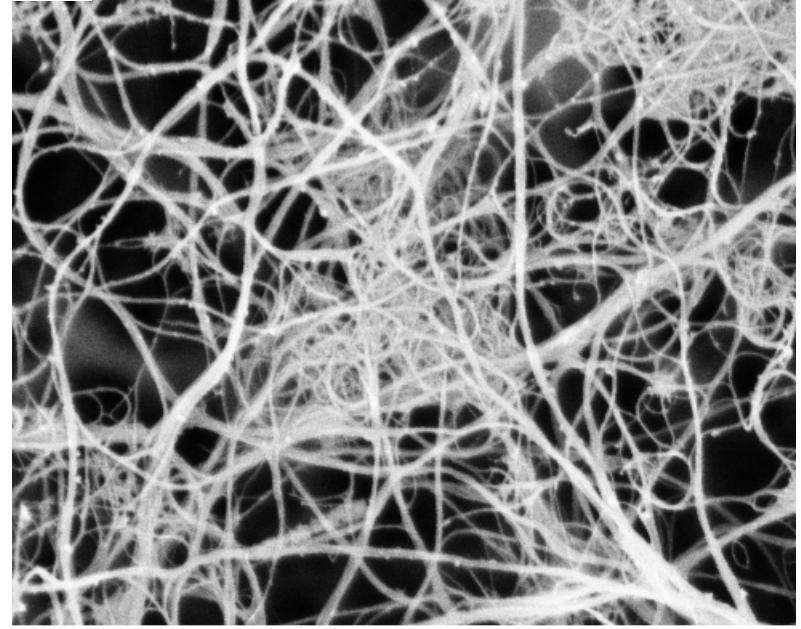
SWNT bundles
on
Cr:quartz

Cleaning



LiTaO3 thin sample

1 μm 25000X



LiTaO3 after

1 μm

SWNT bundles
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LiTaO₃

Conclusion and acknowledgements

Detector development is immediate, practical, achievable

Science: unique situation of evaluating optical properties by
specular absorptance at normal incidence – relatively quickly

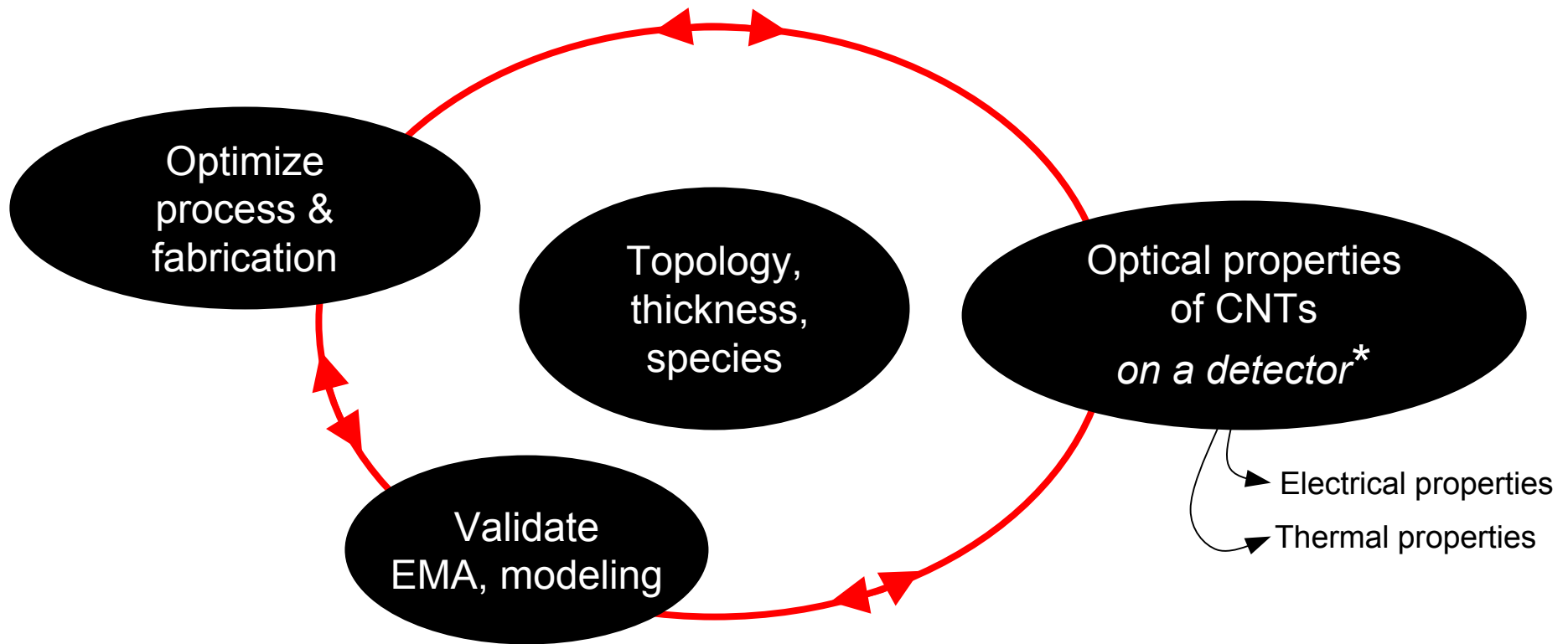
Future – CNTs on ferroelectrics or other detector platforms, EMA
*need enriched samples and varied topology
of aligned tubes to verify the EMAs*

Electrical properties, Thermal properties

Thanks to NIST, NREL, NPL

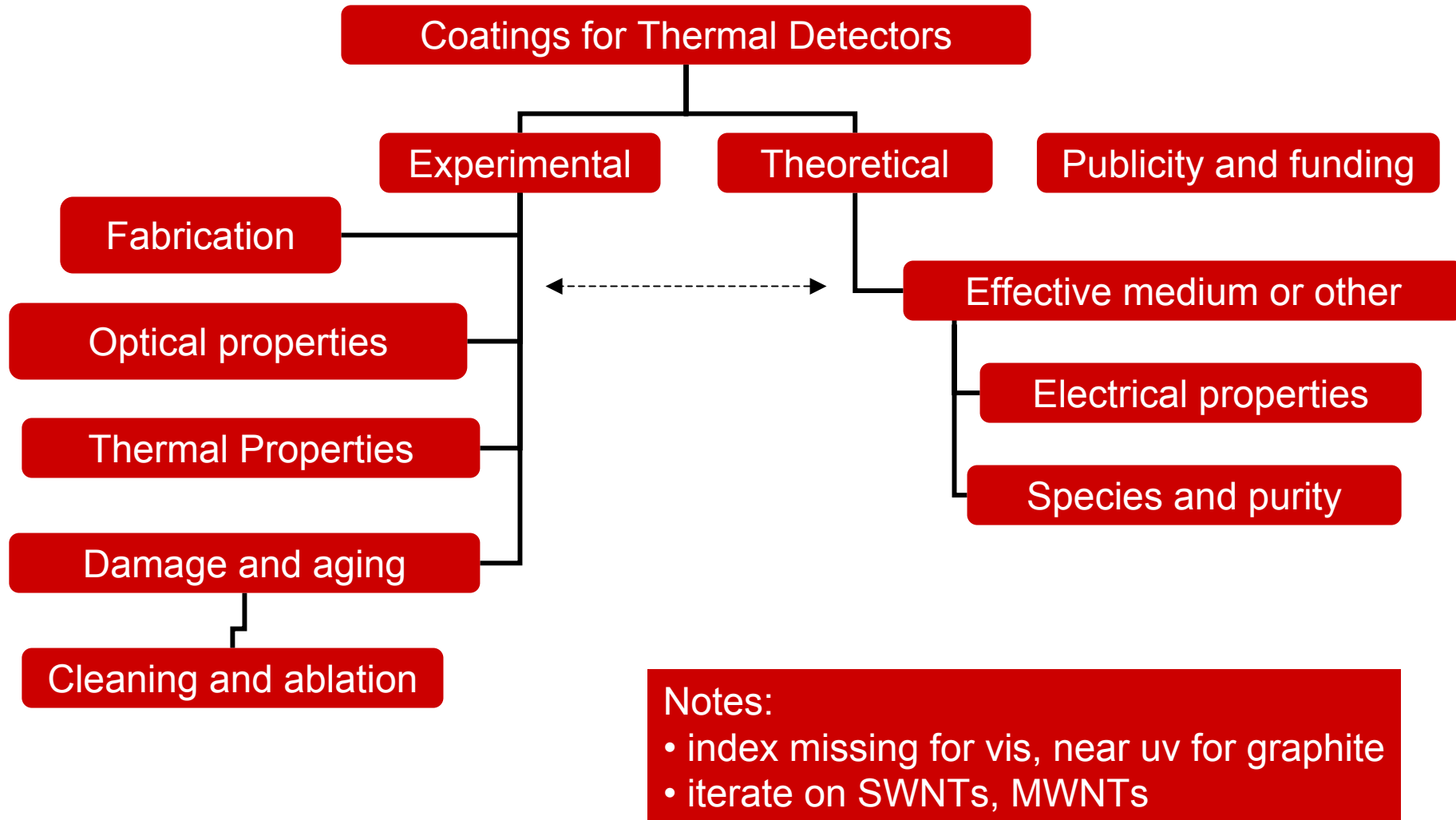
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Challenges

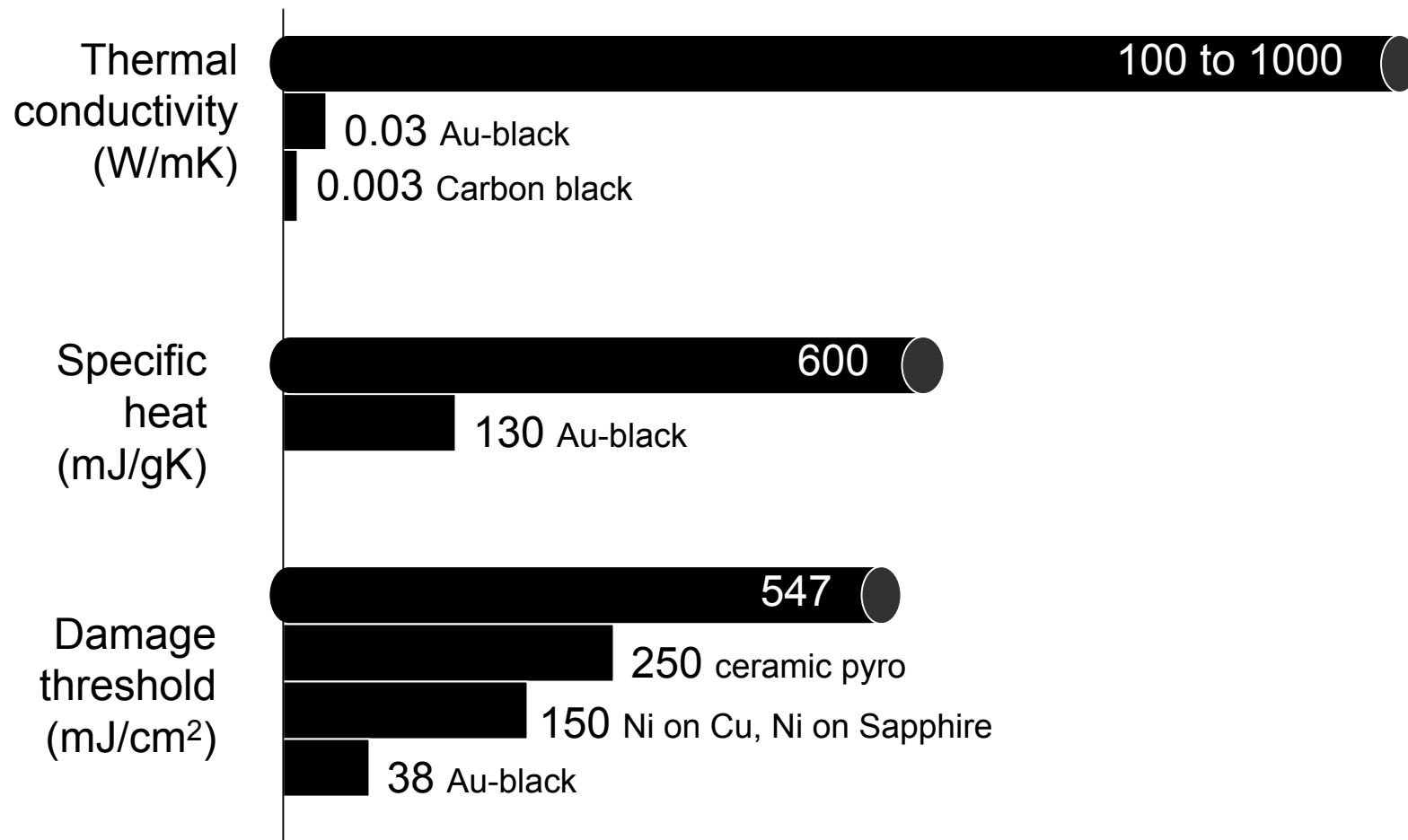


* specular absorptance at normal incidence
vs.
small diffuse reflectance

Challenges



Critical properties



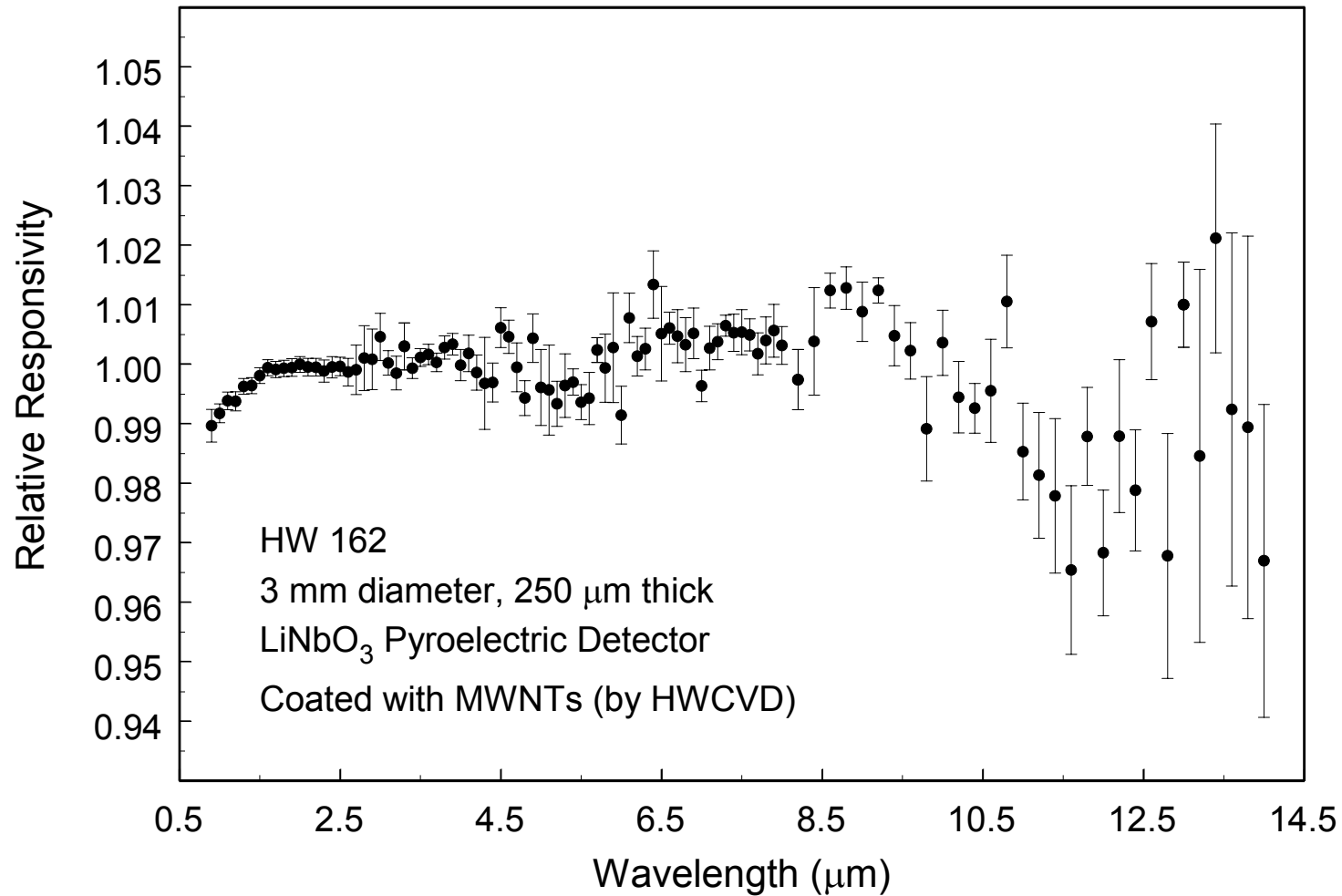
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Measured detector response



Modeling optical Properties (existing work)

$$\varepsilon_{\perp} = n_o^2 (1 - k_o^2), \quad \varepsilon_{\parallel} = n_e^2 (1 - k_e^2)$$

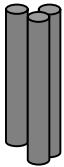
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$$\hat{\varepsilon}(x, y, \omega) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{x^2}{r^2} \varepsilon_{\parallel} + \frac{y^2}{r^2} \varepsilon_{\perp} & \frac{xy}{r^2} (\varepsilon_{\parallel} - \varepsilon_{\perp}) & 0 \\ \frac{xy}{r^2} (\varepsilon_{\parallel} - \varepsilon_{\perp}) & \frac{y^2}{r^2} \varepsilon_{\parallel} + \frac{x^2}{r^2} \varepsilon_{\perp} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \varepsilon_{\perp} \end{pmatrix}$$

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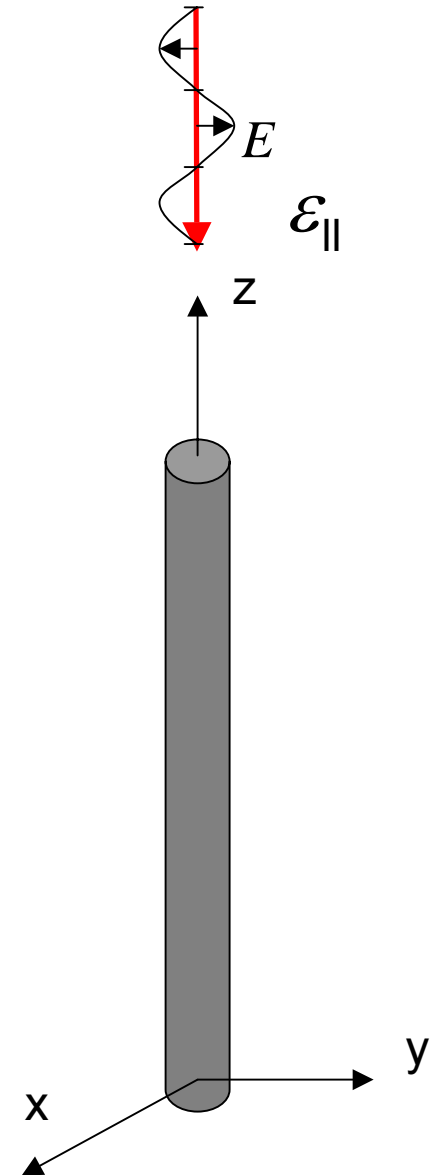


p polarization, E perpendicular to tube
(optical response depends on ε_{\parallel} and ε_{\perp})

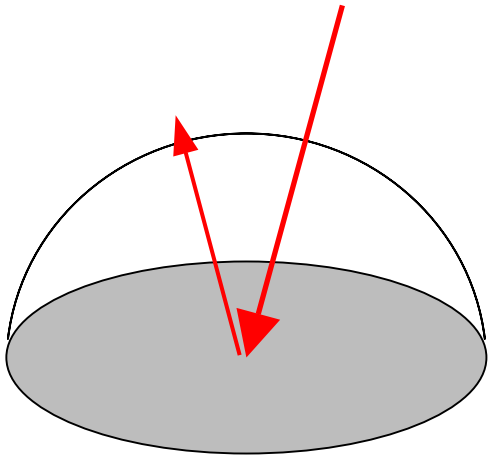


s polarization, E directed along tube
(optical response depends only on ε_{\perp})

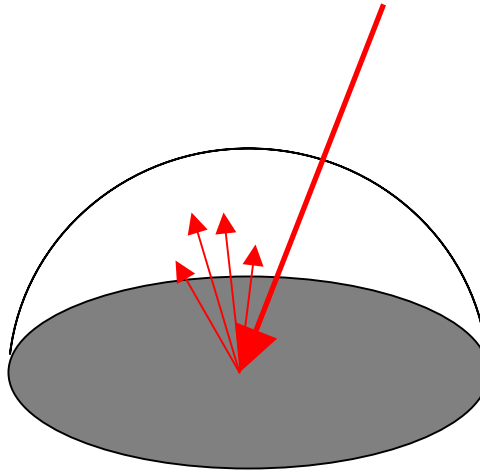
$$\varepsilon^s = f \varepsilon_{\perp}(\omega) + (1 - f)$$



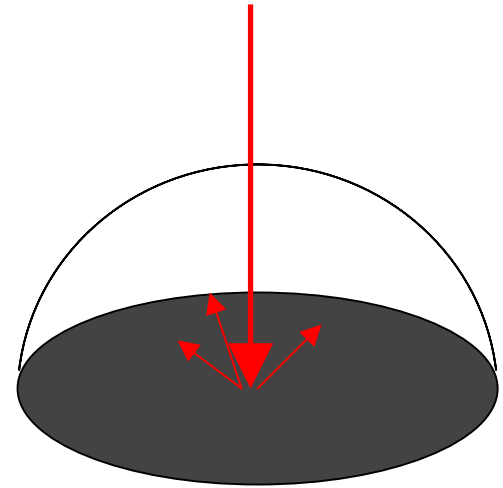
Optical properties



Specular absorptance
directional
specular reflectance

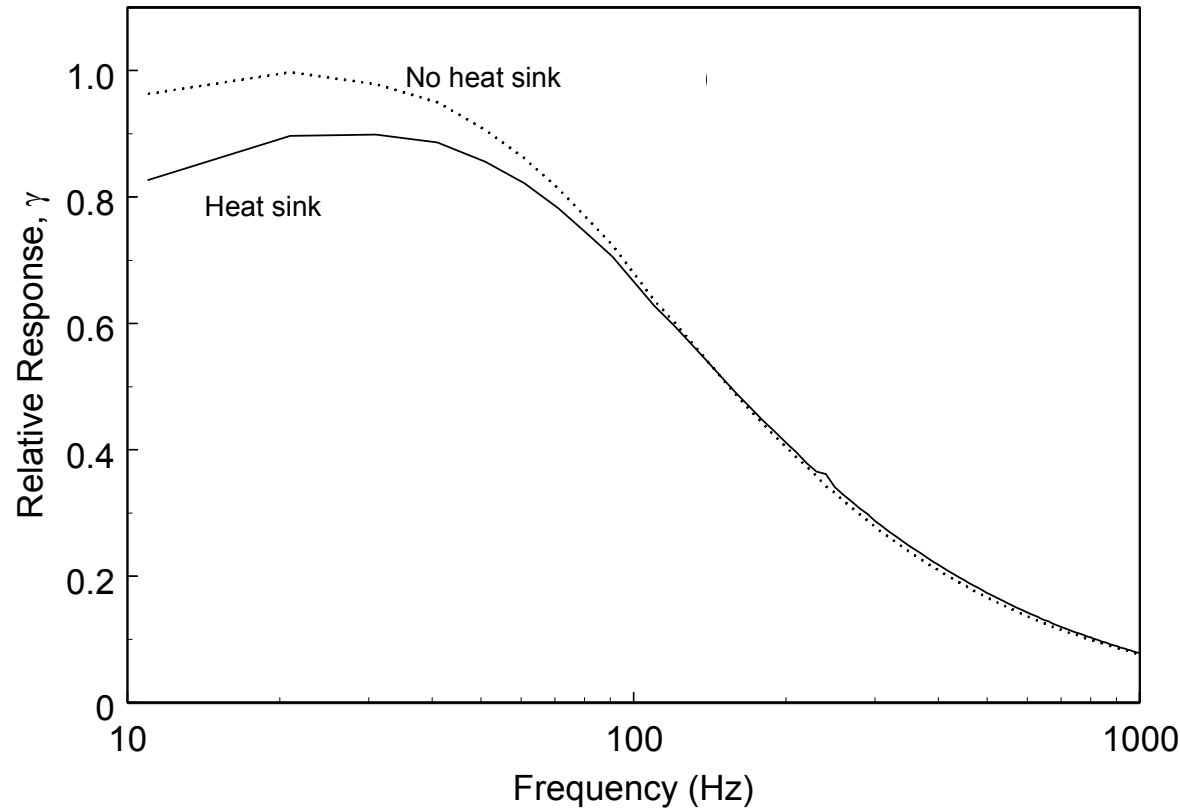


Specular absorptance
directional
diffuse reflectance



Specular absorptance
hemispherical
diffuse reflectance

Freestanding pyroelectric detectors are preferred



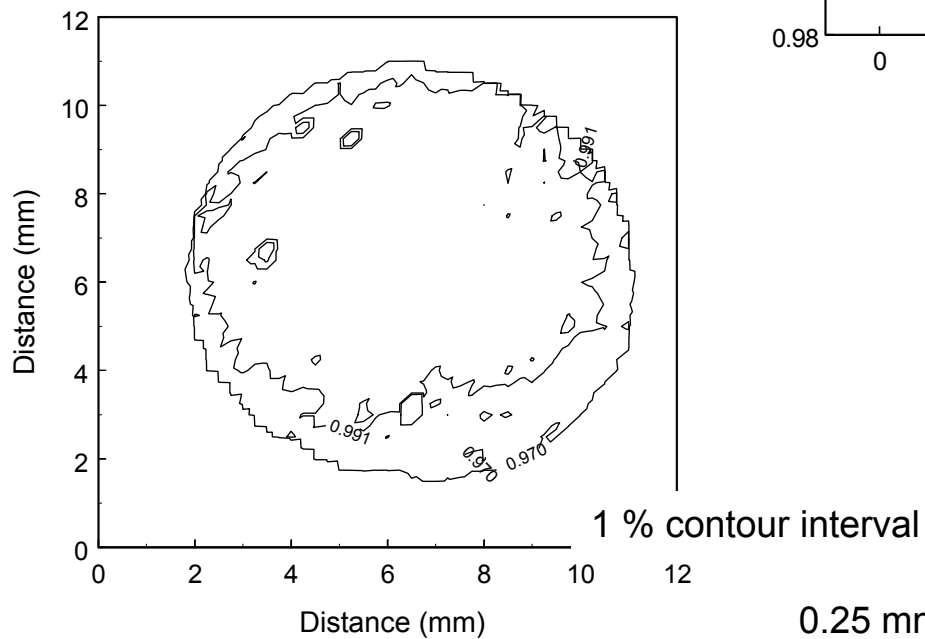
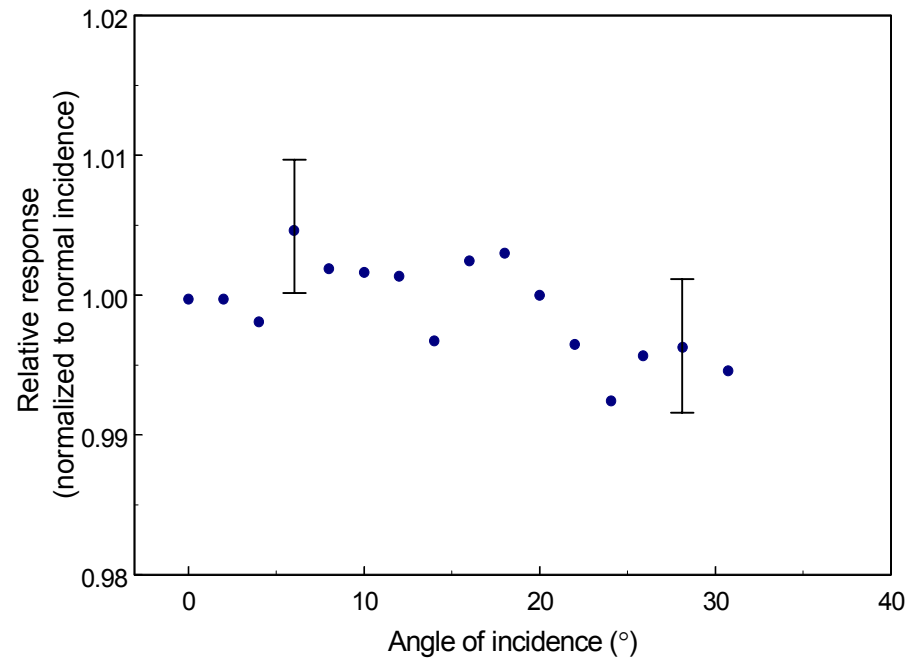
- + sensitivity
- + spatial uniformity
- + thinner is better
- acoustic sensitivity

$$i = p \frac{A}{h} \int_0^h \frac{d\theta}{dt} dz$$

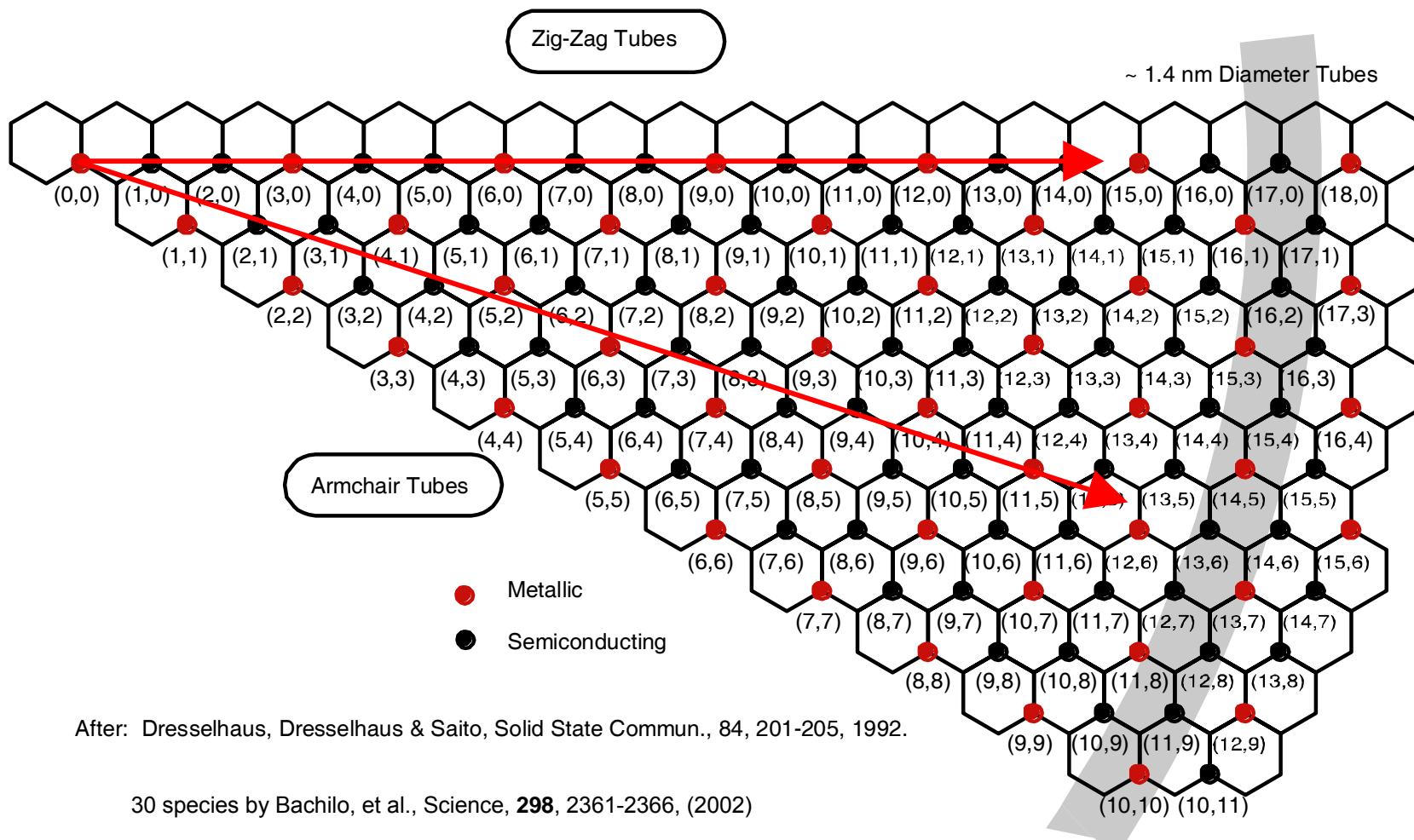
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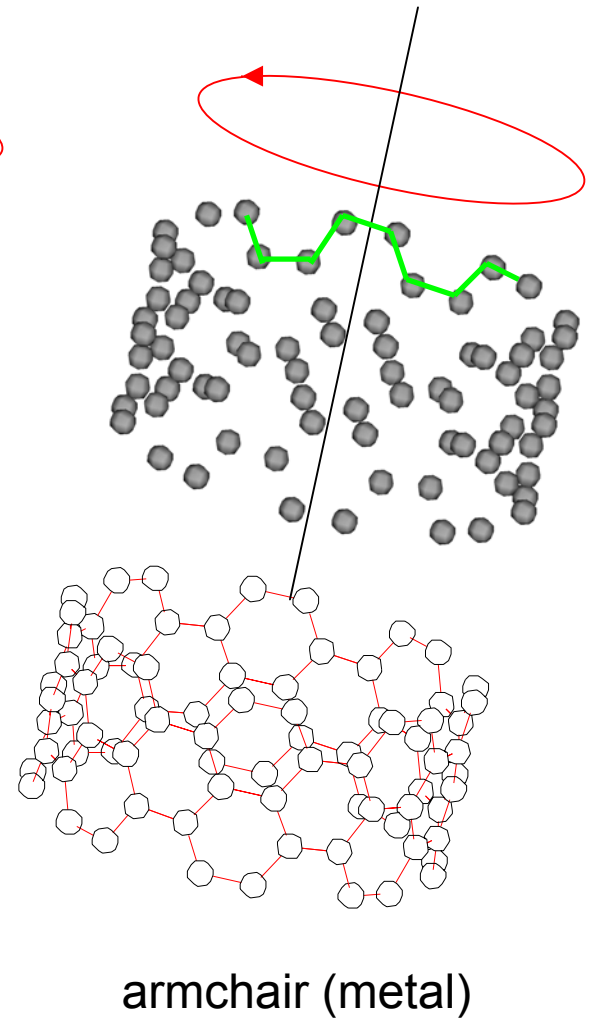
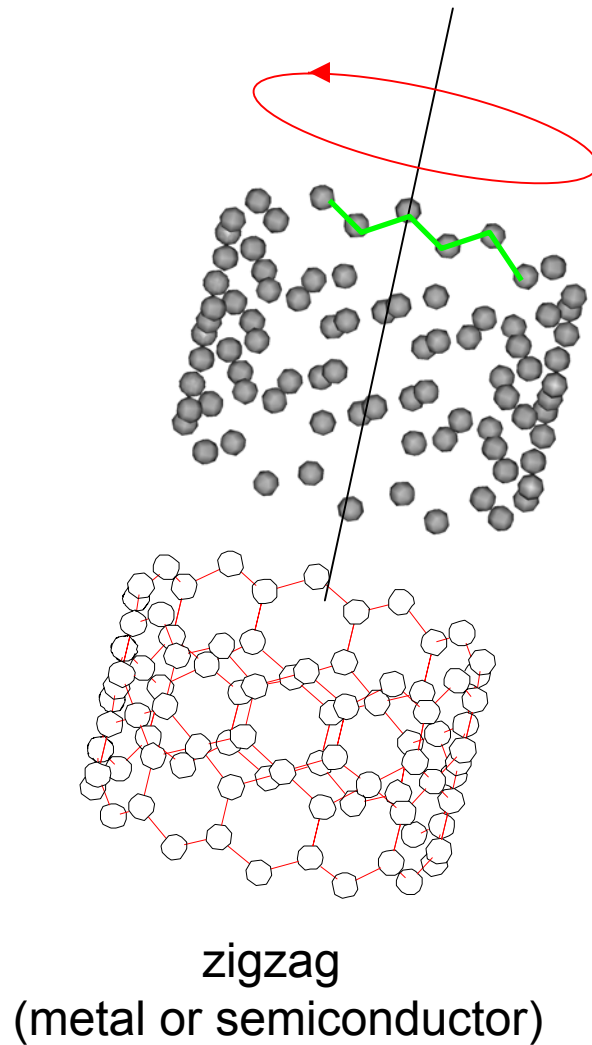
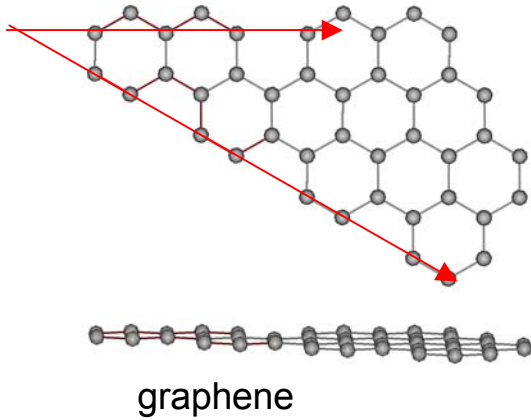
Spatial and directional uniformity



0.25 mm increments
0.5 mm beam, 850 nm



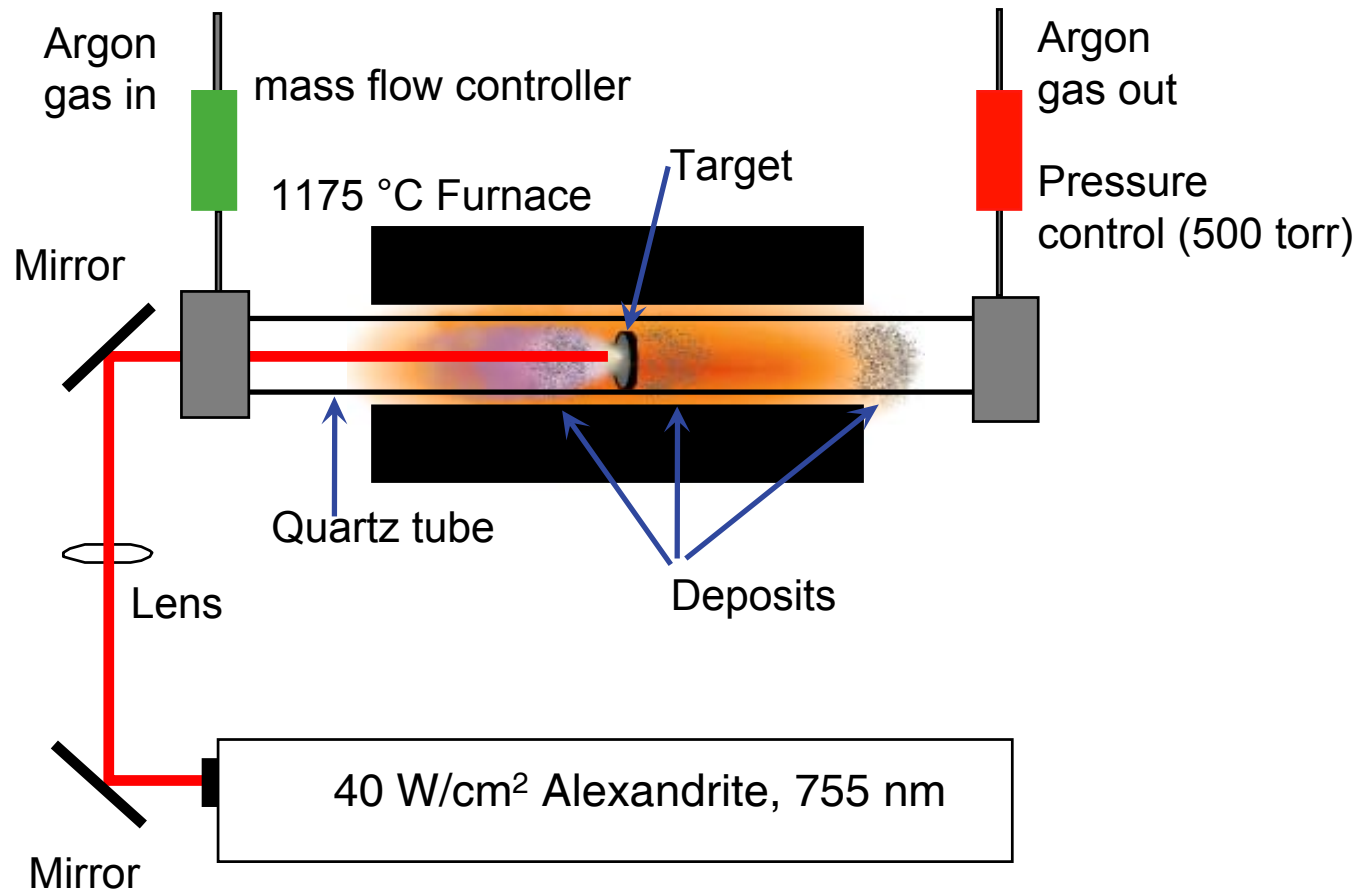
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